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## AUSTRALIA.

*Report from Melbourne—Plague bulletin from Brisbane—Plague in Queensland and New South Wales.*

Consul-General Bray forwards the following:

## PLAGUE BULLETIN, NO. 1.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, QUEENSLAND,  
*Brisbane, January 6, 1905.*

A fatal case of plague occurred in Brisbane on January 2. The patient, a boy, aged 15 years, resided in South Brisbane and worked at a produce store in the city.

The last case of plague in Brisbane occurred on the 15th of September, 1904, an interval of 109 days between the 2 cases.

A case of plague occurred at Coopers Plains, 8 miles from Brisbane, on October 27, 1904.

Since the issue of the last bulletin on October 22, 1904, 7,102 rats and mice have been destroyed in Brisbane; 3,381 rats and 653 mice were examined at the State bacteriological institute.

Of the above, 10 rats were found to be plague infected.

Included in the above figures are 200 rats found on the 4th and 5th instants on the premises of the above-mentioned produce store where the late plague patient worked. Of these, 2 were found to be plague infected.

A departmental gang of 20 men has been constantly employed for thirteen months in rat destruction, and daily examination of the bodies of the rodents is carried out at the bacteriological institute.

B. BURNETT HAM,  
*Commissioner of Public Health.*

*Plague in Queensland and New South Wales.*

VICTORIA, *January 6, 1905.*

Government of Queensland reports fatal case of bubonic plague occurred at South Brisbane, 2d instant.

G. H. REED.

CONSUL-GENERAL FOR UNITED STATES, *Melbourne.*

VICTORIA, *January 10, 1905.*

One case plague reported, Ulmarra, Clarence River, New South Wales. One plague rat identified.

G. H. REED.

CONSUL-GENERAL FOR UNITED STATES, *Melbourne.*

## AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

*Report from Trieste—Inspection of emigrants.*

Consul Hossfeld reports, February 6, as follows:

On the steamship *Carpathia*, which sailed from this port on February 4 for New York, via Fiume and Palermo, 84 steerage passengers were embarked. Of the total number inspected 5 were rejected. The baggage of all the passengers, consisting of 87 pieces, was disinfected.